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Merry Christmas to all our readers and advertisers

Family wins its fight for Sarah

BY JO DEEKS

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THE Addingtons spent last Christmas apart. It will be the same story again this Christmas.

But it set to have a happy ending – the family hope to be reunited in the New Year after finally winning a legal battle to adopt a little Indian girl.

Minister Nick Addington arrived back in the UK last July after spending nearly 13 years as a cardiac technician at a Christian hospital in India, accompanied by his children Natasha, 14, and Nathan, 11.

Nick took over as pastoral leader at the Church in the Field group in Kedington last September.

But his wife, Jane, stayed behind in Chandigarh, north of Delhi, to continue a long-running legal battle to adopt 4-year-old Sarah, who has lived with the family since she was five days old.

The couple started adoption proceedings shortly after they began caring for Sarah, whose unmarried mother was unable to keep her.

But their efforts have been mired in bureaucracy.

Although they were not able to come home in time for Christmas, the family's long wait should soon be over, as Nick and Jane have finally won legal guardianship of Sarah.

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Joy after long-running adoption battle



Happy together: Nick and Jane Addingtons with children, from left, from left, Natasha, Sarah and Nathan.

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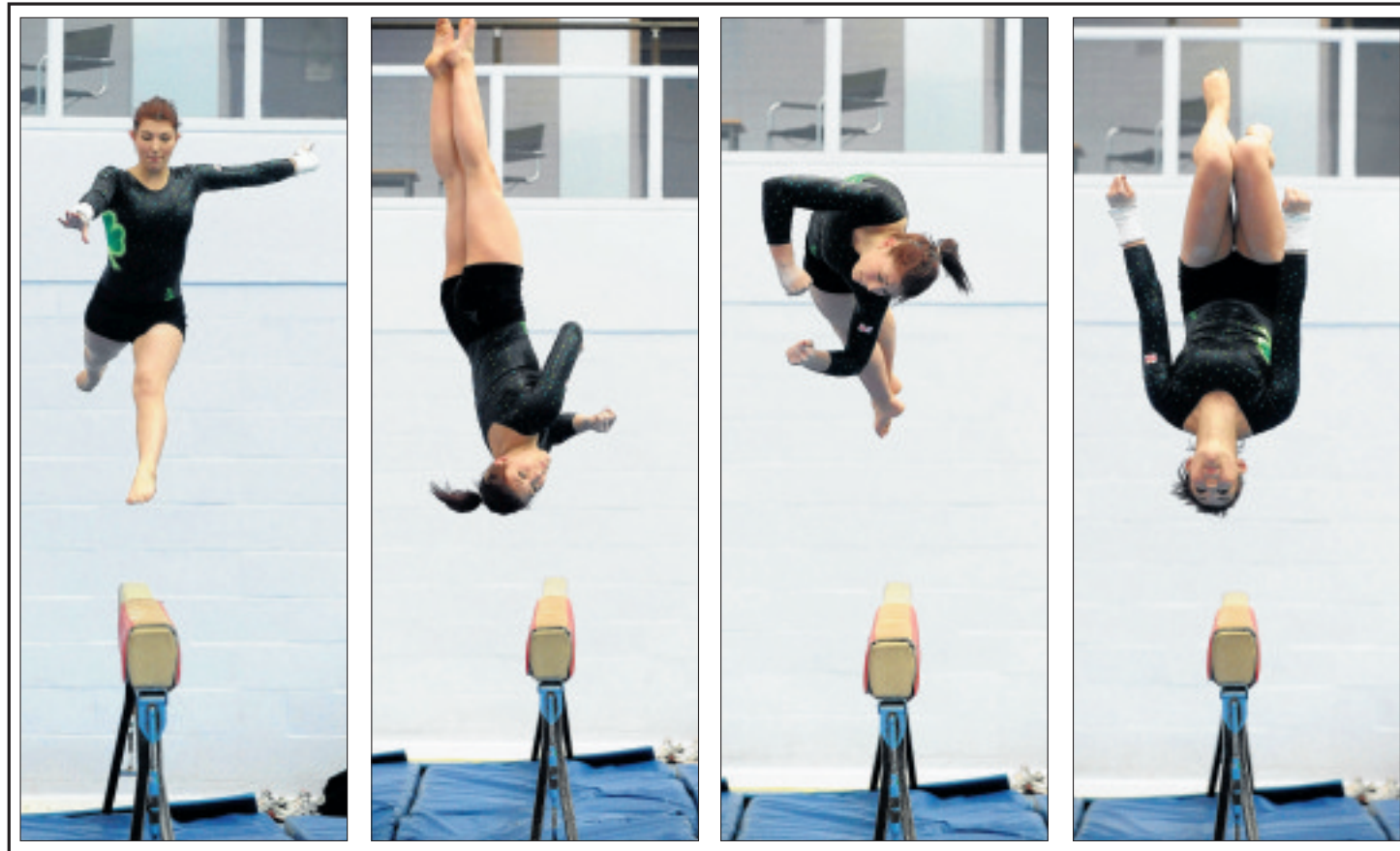
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Up in the air: gymnast Charlotte McKenna shows off her agility on the balance beam. Pictures: Keith Jones 702315/ 702323/ 702322/

Woman on escape charge

A WOMAN accused of helping an inmate to escape from a Suffolk prison has appeared in court.

Tracey Poulton, 26, did not indicate a plea during a brief preliminary hearing at Ipswich Crown Court last week. Poulton is charged with assisting an escape from HMP Edmunds Hill at Stradishall. She was arrested following an incident on June 14 in which it is alleged James Whitlock, serving a 33-month sentence for theft, walked out of the prison.

Judge David Goodin told Poulton, of Cawbeck Road, Little Canfield, Essex, that she would have to re-appear on February 11 to enter a plea to the charge against her. She was released on unconditional bail until her next court appearance.

Whitlock, 25, who was arrested in the West Midlands on December 8, appeared before magistrates in Dudley last week.

Warning after car stolen

AN OPPORTUNIST thief drove off in a car which had been left with its engine running in the early hours of the morning.

Suffolk police are reminding drivers not to leave their vehicles unattended with the engine running even for a few minutes, after the theft of a blue Peugeot 206 in the early hours of Tuesday.

As the female driver was returning to the car, parked in Camps Road, Haverhill, just after 1.40am, she spoke to a teenage boy, described as white, around 16 to 18 years old and with an English accent. He then got into the vehicle, registration Y688VBP, and drove off.

Calls relating to this theft, the whereabouts of the stolen car, or who took it, should be made to Haverhill Police on (01284) 774100 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

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Santa drops in for a sporting date

LIVELY youngsters enjoying themselves at a leisure centre got an extra treat with a visit from Santa.

The jolly man in red dropped in to meet children at Kid City at Haverhill Leisure Centre in the lead-up to the festive season. Youngsters can still meet him today by booking on (01440) 702548. Entry is £3.50, which includes a photo with Santa and a gift.

Santa's surprise visit was just one of the special events planned for the Christmas holidays.

Daniel Bentley, a member of the gold medal-winning GB boccia Paralympics team was also at the leisure centre this week. He ran taster sessions and gave a demonstration to youngsters on Monday.

The sessions were part of the centre's free Go For Gold event, sponsored by Deloitte. Youngsters tried out sports such as cycling, badminton, table tennis and net basketball star and Paralympian, Caroline Maclean.

Local gymnast Charlotte McKenna also thrilled onlookers as she showed off her skills on the balance beam and parallel bars.



Meet the stars: above, Simon Bourne, Barbara Leverett, Rhiannon Howard, Billy Ager, Brandon Mackay with paralympic athletes Caroline Maclean and Daniel Bentley. Left, Harrison Dalena, Mia Staple-Smith and Amy Currell meet Santa and his helper at the grotto.

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Family waits on visa news

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They have also been able to get her an Indian passport, but must now wait until a visa is issued, which could take up to two months.

Nick told the *Weekly News*: "It was amazing when we heard that we had guardianship, we were really thrilled.

"We have had so many false hopes and so many hearing dates cancelled. It is amazing to finally have a decision.

"We went to India last January for three weeks – which was paid for by a group of churches in Haverhill – and Jane came home for six weeks in July. We have had some time together, but it has been a struggle for us all, especially the children without their mum.

"It has been a real challenge, but everyone has been very helpful. Skype has been really useful, so that we could see and hear each other. It will be wonderful to be together as a family again, but we don't know exactly when that will be yet."

Nick trained as a cardiac technician at a Christian hospital in Hackney, before moving to India to help train others to act as technicians at missions across Africa and India. He also helped to set up the Chandigarh Bible College.

He met and married Jane in India and they already shared the desire to adopt another child, when a man visited them to say that his sister-in-law had a baby she could not keep.



Bright idea: William Howe and Beth Lavender, from Samuel Ward Academy, who helped to design the gates, at at the unveiling of the new lights project.

Picture: Duncan Lamont 701873.

Students help shed new light on stunning gates

STRIKING leaf shaped gates designed by local pupils will look even more spectacular after lighting was installed to show them off at night.

Councillors, schoolchildren and traders gathered for the officially switching on of the lights in Queen Street, Haverhill, last Friday.

The gates were installed earlier this year to provide a focal point in the street, which had been given a major facelift with new paving and a new link through to the nearby Tesco.

The gates are positioned at each end of the street, and replaced ugly metal barriers that were put up to

close the street to traffic between 10am and 4pm on weekdays and Saturdays, when the road is pedestrianised.

The gates were designed by Haverhill students as part of the public art investment in the area. The design is based on huge leaves arranged to form a crown, in

reference to the street's name.

Local firm Metcraft won the tender to manufacture the gates. To ensure the students continue to be closely involved, the leaves were delivered back to Samuel Ward, as well as Castle Manor and Couplands Primary schools, so they could be polished and finished.

Woman in court over 'escape'

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Town wards on high crime list

PARTS of Haverhill have some of the highest crime figures in the St Edmundsbury borough.

New figures show that Haverhill South ward had 701 crimes in 2009/10, placing it third in the borough behind two wards in Bury St Edmunds.

Haverhill East had 458, Haverhill North 428 and Haverhill West 228.

In a comparison of districts in Suffolk, St Edmundsbury was placed third – behind Ipswich and Waveney, which includes Lowestoft, with a total of 6,609 crimes.

The figures have been compiled

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by The Suffolk Observatory using data from the Office for National Statistics (ONS).

They show that overall across the county, crime has dropped.

Police chiefs this week warned against complacency and pledged to continue to crack down on those issues that communities were particularly concerned about.

A Suffolk police spokesman said: "As we announced at the end of the financial year, crime in

Suffolk is at its lowest for almost a decade.

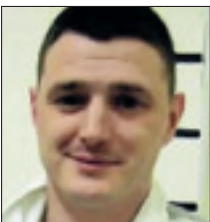
"Through proactive targeted policing we will continue to build upon this solid foundation as well as focusing on increasing local people's confidence in their local policing service.

"Suffolk remains a safe county in which to live and work, and we must ensure that we continue to deliver the best possible service. We want to make sure local people feel safe and feel we are doing a good job."

There were 77 crimes recorded in Clare, 66 in Kedington, 101 in Wickhambrook and 143 in Hun-

Police issue warning over missing prisoner

Failed to return: Billy Sullivan was on day release from Highpoint prison.



POLICE are appealing for help in tracing an inmate who failed to return to Highpoint prison.

Billy Sullivan, 33, who was serving eight and a half years for wounding and attempting to pervert the course of justice,

was given day release on December 16, but did not return to jail.

Sullivan is described as white, 5 ft 8 in tall, stocky, with blue eyes and short dark straight hair.

He has a scar near his left eyebrow,

speaks with a London accent and has connections to Essex.

People have been warned not to approach him or take any further action but call police on (01473) 613500 or contact their nearest police station.

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Students in Santa cash collection

SCHOOL uniforms were replaced by Santa suits as students raised cash for their local hospice.

Teenagers at Samuel Ward Arts and Technology College in Haverhill dressed in red and white, and paid for the privilege, as part of the Santa's Hospice Jingle event, organised by St Nicholas Hospice Care.

And hospice community fundraiser Ian Norris collected a cheque from teacher Sarah Drury, raised through Year 9 pupils' enterprise projects, including a sponsored silence.

The Santa fundraiser encourages people to dress up and collect funds for the hospice – or else donate if they see someone with a hospice collecting bucket.

The seasonably dressed Samuel Ward students were joined by staff from the town's Abbeycroft Leisure Centres.

Later in the day, to coincide with late night shopping, many of the town's pubs passed around collection buckets, asking customers to donate loose change.

Mr Norris said: "I know Santa normally gives presents at Christmas, but this year he is helping out St Nicholas Hospice Care by asking people to give money to help local people with serious illnesses and their families."



Over to you: Cllr Tim Marks, centre, hands over the pulseoximeter to volunteers from the First Responders group.

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Councillor uses fund to boost lifesaving team

FIRST Responders have a valuable new piece of equipment to use, thanks to a donation from a county councillor.

Cllr Tim Marks bought the £430 pulseoximeter for the Haverhill First Responder group from his Suffolk County Council Locality Fund.

The device is used to record the pulse rate of patients and the saturated oxygen levels in their blood. This can be continuously monitored to see whether it is improving when oxygen is given.

Margaret Marks, who co-ordinates the First Responder scheme, said although the group

is now under the remit of the ambulance service rather than Magpas, it was still a charity and had to provide its own capital items. She said: "This is a very important measuring device which lets us know very quickly if things are not going well. It will improve our ability to care for

patients and we are very grateful to Cllr Marks. Some of our responders are already trained to use it and the others will be given training."

The group is always looking for more volunteers and anyone interested in joining should phone (01440) 713443

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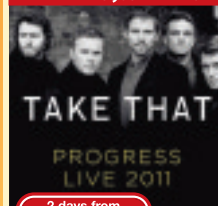


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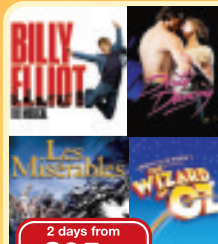
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Thieves targeting cars' converters

POLICE have warned drivers to take precautions after a spate of thefts of catalytic converters from parked vehicles.

The valuable converters, part of the exhaust system which stops the most harmful emissions, have mainly been stolen from vans and other commercial vehicles.

There have been 17 thefts in Suffolk – four in Haverhill – since the beginning of this month. In the previous two weeks only three were reported – all of them in Bury St Edmunds.

Some of the thefts have taken place while the vehicles were parked in the street, driveways or car parks.

Crime Reduction Officer Bernard Plume suggested that converters could be marked with etching or invisible UV pens, or the SmartWater system.

He said that vehicles should be left in well-lit areas and should be parked to make it more difficult for thieves to reach the converters.

Police are also carrying out checks on scrapyards.

Anyone spotting people acting suspiciously should call 999 if a crime is in progress or call (01473) 613500 to give information.

Extension plan

A LISTED building application to build a rear extension to provide a garden room and make alterations to a former bank building has been received by planners.

The plan to convert a store room to utility and make internal and external alterations at Barclay House, Market Hill, Clare, has been submitted to St Edmundsbury Borough Council.

Man cautioned

A MAN who refused to leave a town centre was cautioned by police.

The 21-year-old from Thetford received a caution for failing to comply with a Section 27 notice after he was directed to leave Haverhill town centre last Friday.

Building bid

PLANS to build a replacement one and a half storey house with integral garage, following demolition of an existing dwelling at Three Gables, Thorns Corner, Wickhambrook, have been submitted to St Edmundsbury Borough Council.

Fencing wanted

A PLANNING application to put up perimeter fencing and gates at 14 Piperell Way, Haverhill, has been submitted by Wedge Group Galvanizing Ltd to St Edmundsbury Borough Council.



Not a word: Year 9 Samuel Ward Academy pupils with their learning coach Sarah Drury, after raising funds for St Nicholas Hospice Care through a sponsored silence.

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School silence helps hospice – but keep quiet about it!

IT WAS a tough call, but a group of teenagers managed to stay silent for an entire school day to raise cash for their local hospice.

Year 9 pupils at Samuel Ward Academy, in Haverhill, kept schtum as part of their school's enterprise scheme, which encourages youngsters to be active in their local community.

One notoriously noisy tutor group decided

they would study in silence with the aim of raising sponsorship for St Nicholas Hospice Care, following a talk from community fundraiser Ian Norris. Their efforts raised £124.

Sarah Drury, the pupils' learning coach, said 14 students took part in the silence, from 8.40am-2.40pm. She said: "They are known as the chattiest tutor group by their teachers, so they keep on asking if the

pupils can do it again."

Ian said: "I'm delighted the students chose to support the hospice – and that they managed to keep quiet for an entire school day."

Other tutor groups in the year have been undertaking enterprise projects including recycling bags, a fashion show, and a Santa photography day.

Meanwhile, pupils from the academy also

paid a visit to the Hospice's Bury St Edmunds site, to spread some Christmas cheer.

Led by teacher Olivia Furse, the choir sang renditions of *Oh Come All Ye Faithful*, *Deck the Halls* and *Silent Night*.

However, the traditional festive carols were broken up with performances of more upbeat contemporary tunes, including *She's So Lovely*.

Factory is focused on future

A PEANUT factory has increased its workforce over the past three weeks and plans to invest a further £2 million in expansion plans.

Percy Dalton's, which has a factory in Phoenix Road, Haverhill, has added another 60 workers to its permanent 130 staff, due to the Christmas demand for nuts.

Robert Hancox, operations manager, said: "We have been very busy over the past year, and this is the time when everyone is putting peanuts and cashews on their coffee tables."

"We have just spent close to £500,000 on a new line for one of the major retailers in the UK and we are looking to invest another £2 million over the course of the next 12 months, which we plan to plough into Haverhill to make it a centre of excellence."

He added: "It has been a challenging time for us, but also an opportunity for the business to grow."

"The businesses that are investing are

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here for the long haul. We will ride the storm and find ways through, particularly when the situation is quite volatile.

"Peanuts and cashews are expensive and, unlike others, 80 per cent of our costs are in raw materials."

Percy Dalton's was one of the first businesses to open on the Haverhill Business Park after relocating from its former base in London in 2005.

The company produces around 10,000 tons of nuts a year from its factory in Haverhill.

Last year, it was taken over by the Intersnack group and since then its production has almost doubled from around 50,000 cases a week to close to 90,000.

Mr Hancox said: "Since we became part of Intersnack we are looking to invest in Haverhill, and we have brought a new line here which will increase our capacity."

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Thanks to our champ, Claire

Sir, I would like to thank Claire Bowden, our Tesco Community Champion. I want to say how grateful I am and how much I appreciate her efforts hosting the cheese and wine tasting evening, which was held on Friday, November 26. I would also like to thank those who supported me during the evening and those that made donations and gifts for raffle prizes. Thanks to you all for helping me raise £260 for my charity of the year, St Nicholas Hospice Care. I cannot praise highly enough how much you contribute to this town and to the connection between Tesco and Haverhill. We are all very grateful to you for your enthusiasm, professionalism and dedication – and I hope that the Tesco management realise just how well thought of you are. Once again, my personal thanks, Claire, for all that you do.

Cllr Elaine McManus
Haverhill Town Mayor

Arts show was such a success

Sir, I would like to send very hearty thanks to all those concerned in arranging the show at Haverhill Arts Centre, which I attended on Monday, December 13. What a wonderful afternoon we all had. *Remember When at Christmas* was a brilliant show, and all the staff at the arts centre made sure everyone was welcome and even served refreshments to all of us during the interval. I was glad to see it was so well supported, Monday being an extra day, as it was booked for the 14th originally – so two days to a packed house was a bonus. I am sure everyone who attended left, as I did, with a song in their heart and uplifted spirits. Well done to all concerned.

Pauline Cianciola
Chaplains Close
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MEMORIES



■ THIS week's picture, taken from our archives, shows green-fingered students in a workshop. Do you recognise anyone in the picture or know what the event was? Do you know where and when it was taken?

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Picture: 690502.

Last week's Memories photograph, from our archives, showed a five-a-side football awards presentations at Haverhill Sports Hall. It was taken in May, 1989.

Picture: 696858.



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Cake bakers face showdown

FIVE catering students have reached the finals of a Great British Edwardian Bake-Off at Ickworth House, Horringer.

The students on professional hospitality or catering start-up courses at West Suffolk College were among competitors who had to bake half a dozen Christmas-themed fairy cakes and give a brief explanation of how they would research and bake a large Edwardian cake.

Entries were invited from West Suffolk College stu-

dents, Women's Institute (WI) members and National Trust members.

Of the eight finalists, five are teenagers from West Suffolk College, including Ashley Crocker from Haverhill, who is also a National Trust member. The other three finalists were WI members Sue Dearsley, Margaret Chapman and Suzanne Veal.

Bakers Ann Wreathall, of Ickworth's West Wing Restaurant, and Leanne Parasot, of the Ickworth Hotel judged the competition,



Sweet treat: the fairy cakes

tasting samples of hundreds of fairy cakes, assessing them on texture, quality and taste.

Ms Wreathall said: "This was a very inspiring experience as people of all ages had tried so hard to give us colourful, interesting, modern and traditional fairy cakes."

"It's heartening to know the younger generation are as interested in baking and keeping the tradition alive as those of us who are a little older."

Ms Parasot said: "It's so lovely to see so many different styles of baking. Good luck to the final eight, who have done really well and I hope everyone else who entered keeps on cooking."

They will all now research, prepare and bake an authentic Edwardian cake at a live final in the kitchens at West Suffolk College in the Ickworth Lives Edwardian bake-off on Shrove Tuesday, March 8, next year. The cakes will be transported by Edwardian car to the judging panel, waiting below stairs at Ickworth.

The panel will include a food historian, a celebrity chef and representatives from Ickworth.



Donations: church member Peter Holmes, St Nicholas Hospice Care community fundraiser Ian Norris, Amanda Woodgate, of Marie Curie, Nicky Jackson and Beccy Turner, of East Anglia's Children's Hospices, and West End Congregational Church treasurer Jim Shirling-Rooke at the cheque presentation.

Church legacy boosts charity funds

A CHURCH which received a legacy of £100,000 has decided to give 10 per cent of the cash to charities – including a local hospice.

St Nicholas Hospice Care was one of three charities to benefit at a recent presentation by the West End Congregational church in Haverhill. After receiving the significant legacy, the church members decided to give £10,000 to good causes.

Church treasurer Jim Shirling-Rooke said churchgoers were asked to suggest worthy charities and then vote on how much of the legacy they should receive.

He said: "Every charity on the list,

22 altogether, got something. We already support St Nicholas Hospice Care on an ongoing basis.

"Every two years, the church has a tree festival and the funds are split between three charities, so the hospice receives some of that money, too. The legacy was a Godsend for us."

Church member Peter Holmes, whose wife Christine died at the hospice, said: "The hospice needs help; if people didn't give, then it wouldn't be able to run all its services."

Ian Norris, community fundraiser, said: "The church has done quite a lot

for us over the years, for which we are incredibly grateful."

At a cheque presentation at the hospice's Bury St Edmunds site, St Nicholas Hospice Care received £550, East Anglia's Children's Hospices received £700 and Marie Curie Suffolk and Norfolk was given £500.

The bequest to the West End church was made by a man called Walter Plumb, who is also believed to have left cash to five other churches in the town.

He was not a member of the congregation at the West End church and the bequest came as a surprise to its members.

Ladder plunge costs firm £9k

A BUILDERS' merchant has been fined £5,000 after a subcontractor who suffered an electric shock fell 18ft from a ladder.

David Minor suffered burns to his hands and a fractured vertebra, broken ankle and smashed heel when he hit the concrete floor.

The 63-year-old had been subcontracted by Ridgeons, which has its headquarters in Nuffield Road, Cambridge, to fix an overhead crane system at a workshop in Sudbury, Suffolk.

Bury St Edmunds Magistrates' Court heard Mr Minor was climbing a ladder to reach the crane when he touched the main power channel, which carried 415 volts but had not been marked or isolated. He then fell to the floor.

Ridgeons admitted failing to ensure work was carried out in such a manner as to not give rise to danger, and was fined £5,000, with £4,345 costs.

Jonathan Elven, an inspector for the Health and Safety Executive, said firms had to ensure work by subcontractors

was properly managed and safe.

He said: "Ridgeons admitted the task was handed to Mr Minor without discussion as to the way it was to be undertaken, or any precautions that may be needed."

A Ridgeons spokesman said: "The Ridgeons Group has conducted its own internal investigation and is committed to maintaining the highest standards of health and safety across all operations."

Mr Minor, from Bury St Edmunds, was employed by Graham Parish Engineering.

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Deaths

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Fun's on the menu for playgroup pals



FUN, games and plenty of party food helped a group of youngsters start their Christmas celebrations early.

More than 50 children, aged 2 and up, enjoyed an end of term party and fun morning spread over two days at the popular Stepping Stones

Under 5s group at Coupals Primary School in Haverhill.

Last Thursday, the children enjoyed a traditional Christmas party and the following day they had a fun morning with balloon modelling, magic and comedy provided by a children's

entertainer.

Father Christmas paid a visit and all the youngsters received a letter from him.

The group is full at present but names can be put on a waiting list by calling (01440) 761018.

Concert a real song and dance

TINY tots sang and danced for an audience of friends and family at a Christmas concert.

More than 50 children took part in the concert by the Stepping Stones Under Fives group at Coupals Primary School in Haverhill. Elaine McManus, leader of the group, said: "They all did really well - they were all little stars."

Many businesses and individuals donated prizes for a raffle held at the event, and Elaine thanked them all for their support.



What a show: Stepping Stones youngsters in the festive mood at their Christmas concert. CP

Lotto winner loses out

BY JOHN GOODE

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A NATIONAL Lottery prize of nearly £54,000 went unclaimed after the deadline expired.

No-one came forward to claim the Lotto prize, for matching five numbers and the bonus ball on Saturday, June 19.

The deadline for claiming was last Thursday.

The ticket was bought in the St Edmundsbury area, which includes Haverhill.

A National Lottery spokesman said: "Unfortunately, I can confirm that the ticket-holder did not come

forward within the deadline to claim their prize and has now sadly missed out on this substantial amount of money. To avoid this unfortunate situation happening again, I would urge all National Lottery players to check their tickets on a regular basis.

"We tried very hard to find the ticket-holder and it's a real shame that they have missed out, but there is still one winner - the nation. This money will now go to

good causes, adding to the £25 billion which, over the last 16 years, has funded the biggest programme of civic regeneration seen in the UK since the 19th century."

With all National Lottery draws, players have 180 days from the day of the draw to claim their prize, if they have the winning ticket.

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Battling Emilia looks forward to a very special Christmas



Family Christmas: Emilia, dad Phil, mum Ann and sister Alice.

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With fairy lights festooning the hall, mistletoe hanging from the ceiling and a tall Christmas tree – in the process of being decked – in the sitting room, the Hubbard household is full of festive cheer.

Hanging a final bauble on the tree, youngest daughter Emilia declares this Christmas will be extra-special.

"I'd say most days are a 9/10 now, but Christmas Day will be a 10/10 day," says the 12-year-old, beaming. "We'll put out stockings, Father Christmas will come, all our family will come over . . . It's going to be great – I can't wait."

To see her now, bright, bubbly and full of life, it's hard to believe that in the run-up to last Christmas Emilia was a shadow of her current self. After battling a rare and dangerous blood disorder for two long years, she was recovering from a life-changing bone marrow transplant.

"Before I had the transplant I felt really terrible," remembers Emilia. "I'd had an infection for ages and

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was in a lot of pain, especially in my tummy, so I was on lots of painkillers and they made me feel quite depressed. I wasn't very happy. I had to have blood transfusions every week and wasn't allowed to go to school . . . It wasn't much fun.

"But now I go to school, at Bottisham Village College, I've made lots of friends and I'm catching up with lessons. I can go swimming, play basketball, go shopping, go to the cinema . . . And next year we're going on holiday to America, which will be amazing – we're even going to The Wizarding World of Harry Potter! Before I had the transplant, I wouldn't have been allowed to do any of that."

Emilia, from Swaffham Prior, had a severe form of a condition known as aplastic anaemia. A failure of the bone marrow, which produces the body's blood cells, it is a very rare illness: according to statistics, only 130 people in the UK are diagnosed with aplastic anaemia each year.

Although it is not a

form of cancer, it has symptoms similar to leukaemia – fatigue, weakness and a propensity to both bruise and catch infections. And, again akin to leukaemia, the only real cure is a bone marrow transplant.

Emilia fell ill in the winter of 2007. "A couple of months before that Christmas she started getting a lot of bruises," remembers mum Ann. "We just put it down to rough and tumble in the playground. Nearer to Christmas she began to get very tired. And then she developed a cough which was really persistent: she had antibiotics but it just wouldn't go away." In February 2008, the GP decided to do a blood test. "I got a call next day to say we had to get her into A & E straight away," continues Ann. "It was such a shock . . ."

The test had revealed a dangerously low blood cell count: as soon as Emilia arrived at Addenbrooke's, she was given an emergency transfusion. A bone marrow biopsy revealed the aplastic anaemia – a potentially life-threatening condition.

"I felt quite numb," adds Ann. "It was just such an enormous shock: I went onto auto-

pilot really. I can remember being shown round the ward, told where the bathrooms are, the washing facilities, the tumble dryer . . . I thought: 'Why? We're not going to need them. This is all a big mistake – we're going to be out soon.'

But that was only the beginning: the intervening three years have, admits Ann, been something of a rollercoaster ride for her, husband Phil, older daughter Alice, now 15, and, of course, Emilia.

Reliant on weekly transfusions, because her own body couldn't produce blood cells, Emilia was constantly in and out of hospital. With her immune system unable to function, she was vulnerable to all manner of infections; as a result, doctors gave her parents strict instructions to keep her away from crowded places – including school – to minimise the likelihood of coming into contact with bugs.

"I clearly remember the four of us standing in a shop, looking at something, and hearing someone behind us cough," recalls Ann. "Without exchanging a word, all four of us turned and left. Being wary of bugs became

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Excited: Emilia decorates the family Christmas tree.

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part of life: we got used to being on edge all the time, basically."

Soon after Emilia's diagnosis, the search for a bone marrow donor began. In a bid to raise both awareness and the number of people on the donor register, the Hubbards held a recruitment drive on behalf of the charity Anthony Nolan.

"Alice, my husband Phil and I were all tested soon after she was diagnosed," explains Ann. "But unfortunately none of us were a match." When we looked into it, we discovered that less than 750,000 people in the UK are on the bone marrow register, a tiny proportion of the population. A lot of people don't know much about bone marrow donation and what it entails: they perhaps don't realise, for example, that their body makes up the donated marrow within hours.

"We decided to do what we could to raise awareness of bone marrow donation – in the hope that more people would decide to join the register."

Ann and Phil say family, friends, neighbours and even total strangers were "incredibly generous" in their support but, despite scanning worldwide donor registers, still no perfect match could be found for Emilia.

Then, in the summer of last year, experts discovered a donor who was a 90 per cent match – a 24-year-old man in America. Despite the transplant being postponed twice, the second time thanks to an outbreak of Swine Flu, Emilia finally got her new bone marrow last October.

The procedure took place at a specialist unit in Bristol. Warned by medics that Emilia was in for a rocky ride, both Ann and Phil were encouraged to put work on hold and up sticks for Bristol; they ended up staying there for more than two months. Alice, who had just begun the first year of GCSEs,



stayed at home with her grandparents.

"We didn't realise until we actually went through it that it would be the biggest challenge we've ever faced," admits Ann. "Seeing your child in pain, not knowing what's going to happen from day to day or what the final outcome will be – it's exhausting, and we needed each other's support."

Before Emilia received the bone marrow, she needed a short, sharp course of chemo to 'condition' her system (essentially, to clear the way for the donor cells). A few days into the treatment, she was moved into isolation, where she remained for the next six weeks. The chemotherapy left her nauseous, vomiting and with a horrible headache; it also caused all her hair to fall out. "I actually didn't mind that bit," she grins. "I didn't have to wash it, which was one less thing to do!"

Immediately after donation, the bone marrow was flown over from the States with an Anthony Nolan escort, filtered for bugs and then delivered straight to Bristol. "We don't know anything about the donor apart from the fact he was American and 24 years old," says Ann. "But on the night Emilia had the transfusion I wrote him a letter, which the donor service passed on, telling him what an amazing gift he has given."

All Emilia's family say her determination and cheerful outlook fill them with awe. "I think you're the bravest person I've ever met," sister Alice tells her. "Honestly, in all this time, I've only heard her complain a couple of

times. I don't think I could have handled it so well."

Emilia's path to recovery was far from smooth; along the way, she needed a top-up of the donor marrow and blood cells from four other donors (her mum, her uncle and two family friends). "Gradually, I did start to feel better. They took me off the painkillers, which had made me a bit depressed. Instead of staying in my pyjamas all day, I started to get dressed. And I started wanting to go out: they used to let me go out for a couple of hours at a time, then for a day, then for a night..."

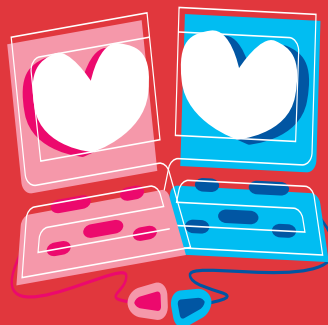
Doctors were monitoring Emilia's white blood cell count very closely. When her neutrophils (cells vital to the body's immune response) reached a high enough level, she was allowed to leave the isolation unit for short spells.

Little by little, Emilia's health began to improve and her energy levels started to rise. Now, more than a year on from the transplant, her life is almost back to normal (though she still needs regular hospital checks).

"It's hard to find the words to describe it... Life is very good, very, very good," says Ann. "Emilia's well and enjoying life, we're all at home together, we don't have to worry about everywhere we go and everything we do. We're living the life that was put on hold for three years."

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The centre's new cinema brochure is out now, with films scheduled for the new year including another showing of *Made in Dagenham* (15), which proved so popular in December.

Mike Leigh's *Another Year* (12A) drops into each season in the year in the life of an everyday couple, while *Africa United* (12A) is set during the build-up to the 2010 football World Cup in South Africa.

Then there's *The Girl Who Kicked The Hornet's Nest* (15), the final instalment of Stieg Larsson's trilogy which wraps up the saga in thrilling fashion. Films for February include a showing of *Breakfast at Tiffany's* (PG), with cabaret-style seating and a complimentary glass of wine, *The Tourist* (12A), *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1* (12A) and many more.

There's also a packed list of shows away from the big screen, including LDN Wrestling, an Everly Brothers tribute band, flamenco guitarist Juan Martin, Country Legends, Peter Gill, The Golden Age of Musical Satire, plus the return of The Bootleg Sixties, Chas and Dave and Courtney Pine. There's folk with Spiers and Boden and comedy with Barry Cryer and Butterfly Brain.

Tickets for all the show are on sale now. The centre will close on Saturday, January 1 and reopen on Thursday, January 6.

■ To book tickets, phone (01440) 714140 or go to www.haverhillartscentre.co.uk

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Sing up: young performers at Westfield Primary School go through the moves in their Christmas production.

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Pop icons in the spotlight at school's show

NATIVITY and pantomime were cleverly combined in a primary school's Christmas production, *A Cold and Prickly Christmas?*

Pupils at Westfield Primary School in Haverhill staged their show for audiences of more than 300 people. It involved many different characters, including Cinders, her Fairy Godmother and the Cold and Prickly sisters, one of which was a

pantomime dame.

The show was written by two teachers at the school, Jill Lightfoot and Nicky Tyler. As part of their topic work, children in Years 3 and 4 had been learning about fashion and music in the 1960s, and some of them featured as The Beatles performing at the inn. The Three Kings came on as three Elvis Presleys and everyone really

enjoyed their dancing and singing. The production also featured Westfield musicians playing brass instruments and clarinets.

Rosie Campbell, headteacher, said "The children and staff had a lot of fun putting the performance together and worked very hard. The children always sing so well and they all remembered what to do, I feel really proud of all of them."

There were three performances of the show, after which members of the audience enjoyed hot drinks and the school cook's special mince pies. A collection for Shelter raised £139.

Westfield has also been involved in collecting shoe boxes full of gifts to distribute to orphans in war-torn areas – with 55 boxes filled with goodies to help them have a happy Christmas.

Driver hurt by thieves

A VAN owner was hurt when he tried to stop thieves getting away with part of the exhaust system.

The thieves had unbolted the catalytic converter from the white Iveco vehicle in the car park at Haverhill's Sainsbury's store in just 10 minutes.

The van owner, a 41-year-old man, spotted two men loading the converter into a dark blue Toyota MR2 and tried to stop them driving away. But he was assaulted and suffered a cut leg. He did not need immediate medical attention.

One of the two men was in his 20s and was wearing a hat. The other was in his 40s with grey hair and was also wearing a hat.

Anyone with information about the incident, which happened between 8.05pm and 8.15pm on Wednesday, December 15, should call Pc Rebecca Molisio at Haverhill Police on (01284) 774100 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.



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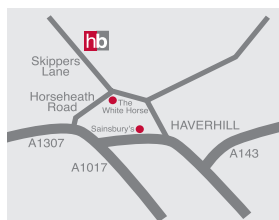
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A MEMORIAL tree has been provided at a funeral directors for relatives and friends of people who have died.

The tree, at the Co-operative Funeralcare branch in High Street, Haverhill, is being decorated with memorial cards.

Mandy Goodwin, of Co-operative Funeralcare, said: "This is the sixth year we have offered a memorial tree – it has always proved to be a great help for relatives and friends."

The funeral home is open from 10am-4pm and cards can be left until Christmas Eve.

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Celebrations at re-opening

GENZYME reopened its Haverhill K32 facility earlier this month.

The plant produces the active ingredient in Renvela, which treats chronic kidney disease. The reopening follows a 10-month refurbishment after the plant was forced to close a year ago because of a fire.

Pictured above are,

from left, Steve Bates, senior director of government affairs and market access; Manuel Loureda, operations director; Paul Logue, VP and GM; Tim Mann, project manager, Capital Projects; Amar Gor, head of manufacturing technical support; and Mark Hyett, head of manufacturing.

Right are Paul Ricketts, Haverhill Fire Station manager; Paul Logue; Nick Hodgson, head of environmental, health and safety, Genzyme; mayor Cllr Elaine McManus; Geoff Rivers, chief executive, St Edmundsbury Borough Council; Frank Saunders, team leader, Environmental Agency.



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Big stars come home to tell a beautiful tale

A sparkling new version of the much-loved classic *Beauty and the Beast* is this year's Christmas show at the Haverhill Arts Centre.

Blackeyed Theatre's fun-filled take on the timeless fairy story runs at the arts centre next week.

They say the Beast is around here somewhere. They say he's so ugly that when he looks in a mirror even his own reflection gets a shock! They say his breath smells like a five-year-old brussel sprout and that he's so hairy, he has to comb his teeth!

He's a cheesy, sneezy, wheezy, nitty, greasy, mouldy lunch-box whiffler. And he's headed this way...

Along with the hairy beast there will, of course, be the beautiful Belle, her father, a dippy suitor called Marcel Dumbell and a scatty French queen.

Two of the cast members of the company also have links to the area. Henry Douthwaite, who plays the beast, said: "From the age of 4 to about 12, I lived near Duxford. My first experiences of acting and stage were at the schools I attended around that area.

Beat the post-Christmas blues with Belle and the Beast at Haverhill Arts Centre.

My grandparents lived in Saffron Walden during the last years of their life. I used to love it up there, still do."

Ben Watson, who plays Marcel, often visits the area to visit his grandfather, who lives near Haverhill.

Beauty and the Beast is touring other theatres in the country before its run in Haverhill and has already gained rave reviews, with *The Stage* describing it as "fast moving, fun-drenched and charming".

The 90-minute show, with interval, is suitable for all the family – and with the beast resembling a cross between Bob Marley and Jethro Tull, it shouldn't be too frightening for the younger members of the audience.

Nick Keeble, arts centre programmer, said: "This year we wanted to try something a bit different, so after seeing the reception that Blackeyed Theatre received for *Peter Pan* – their 2009 Christmas show – I was thrilled to be able to book *Beauty and the Beast* for the arts centre.

"Another change is that we've

scheduled the show slightly later in December than we have in the past but we thought that after Boxing Day the Christmas holidays can feel a bit flat, so bringing the family to *Beauty and the Beast* would be the perfect pick-me-up to see everyone through to the new year!"

■ *Beauty and the Beast* / Haverhill Arts Centre / Tuesday and Wednesday 7pm; Wednesday and Thursday, 2pm; Friday, 11am and 2.30pm. Tickets £9.50/£7.50 concessions. Family ticket (two adults, two children or one adult three children) £30/ (01440) 714140 or www.haverhillartscentre.co.uk



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CHRISTMAS DAY

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6.00 Breakfast. 9.00 CBBC: The Sarah Jane Adventures. 9.50 Shaun the Sheep. 10.00 Christmas Day Eucharist from Tewkesbury Abbey. 11.00 FILM: The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause (2006). 12.25 FILM: Madagascar (2005). 1.45 BBC News. 2.00 Top of the Pops Christmas. 3.00 The Queen. 3.10 FILM: Shrek the Third (2007). Premiere. Animated sequel. 4.30 The Gruffalo. Animated adaptation. 5.00 BBC News. 5.10 The One Ronnie. Comedy stars help Ronnie Corbett celebrate his 80th birthday. 6.00 Doctor Who. The Time Lord encounters a Scrooge-like miser. 7.00 Strictly Come Dancing Christmas Special. 8.00 EastEnders. Hour-long episode. Shown in HD for the first time. 9.00 The Royle Family. 10.00 Come Fly with Me. New series. 10.30 BBC News. 10.45 On Christmas Night. 10.50 FILM: Starksy & Hutch (2004). Comedy, spoofing the 1970s cop show, with Ben Stiller. 12.25 FILM: A Fish Called Wanda (1988) Crime comedy.	6.00 CBBC: The Large Family. 6.10 3rd & Bird. 6.30 Penelope. 6.35 Something Special — A Christmas Special. 7.00 Dani's House. 7.30 The Story of Tracy Beaker. 7.45 What's New Scooby-Doo? 8.05 Eliot Kid. 8.20 Shaun the Sheep. 8.30 Jinx. 8.55 Animal Park. 9.55 FILM: The Meerkats (2008). Premiere. 11.15 FILM: Singin' in the Rain (1952). 12.55 FILM: The Man Who Would Be King (1975). 3.00 Birmingham Royal Ballet's Cinderella. 5.00 The Queen. 5.10 The Private Life of a Christmas Masterpiece: The Adoration of the Christ Child. 6.00 Carols for Christmas Day: From Winchester Cathedral. 7.00 Top Gear. The team tries to determine the world's greatest sports car. 8.00 Dad's Army. The vicar holds a fundraising bazaar. 8.35 Blackadder's Christmas Carol. Comic version of the classic tale. 9.20 Swingin' Christmas. Michael Parkinson presents a programme of festive music by John Wilson and his orchestra. 10.45 Miranda. 11.15 Have I Got a Bit More News for You Christmas Special. 12.00 Being Ronnie Corbett. 1.00 Top of the Pops 2 Christmas Special 2010.	6.00 CITV: The Fluffy Club. 7.25 Toonattik. 8.05 FILM: The Little Polar Bear (2002). Animated adventure. 9.25 Carols at Christmas. 9.50 Family Film of the Decade. 10.50 FILM: Santa Claus: The Movie (1985). Family fantasy adventure, with Dudley Moore. 12.55 ITV News and Weather. 1.10 FILM: The Polar Express (2004). Animated adventure, with the voices of Tom Hanks, Eddie Deezen and Leslie Zemeckis. 3.00 The Queen. 3.10 FILM: The Grinch (2000). 5.00 ITV News and Weather. 5.15 You've Been Framed! Christmas. 6.00 Emmerdale. Hour-long episode. Chas and Carl's wedding day arrives. 7.00 Coronation Street. Hour-long episode. The Rovers staff prepare for the party, only for a brawl to break out when Tracy discovers the McDonalds' secret, and one tortured soul has a confession to make. 8.00 All Star Family Fortunes. Last in the series. 9.00 Agatha Christie's Poirot. Hugh Bonneville and David Morrissey guest star. 11.00 ITV News and Weather. 11.15 FILM: You, Me and Dupree (2006). Comedy, starring Owen Wilson and Matt Dillon.	6.20 Famous Fred. 6.45 Little Wolf's Book of Badness. 7.15 T4: Friends. 7.45 The Simpsons. 8.15 Friends. 8.50 FILM: The Muppet Christmas Carol (1992). 10.30 The Simpsons. 11.00 Glee. 12.00 One Born at Christmas. 1.00 FILM: Scrooged (1988). Comedy, with Bill Murray. 2.50 One Born at Christmas. 3.50 Deal or No Deal: Scrooge or Santa. 4.50 One Born at Christmas. 5.50 Channel 4 News. 5.55 Come Dine with Me: Celebrity Christmas Special. With Goldie and Tony Christie. 7.00 FILM: Edward Scissorhands (1990). A lonely man-made boy with scissor-like hands is befriended by suburban townspeople — but they later turn against him. Tim Burton's fantasy, with Johnny Depp. 9.00 One Born at Christmas. An update on the day's events at the maternity ward of Princess Anne Hospital in Southampton. 10.00 Alan Carr: Tooth Fairy Live. Stand-up comedy from the Hammersmith Apollo. 11.05 Jamie's Christmas Lock-In. Jamie Oliver hosts a night of music, food and chat. 12.10 FILM: Carrie (1976). Horror, starring Sissy Spacek. 1.55 The Real Housewives of New Jersey.	6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. 6.05 Roary the Racing Car. 6.15 Fifi and the Flowerlots. 6.25 Fireman Sam Christmas Special. 6.50 Rupert Bear. 7.00 Mio Mao. 7.05 The WotWots. 7.20 Roobarb and Custard Too. 7.25 Noddy Saves Christmas. 7.55 The Milkshake! Show Christmas Special. 8.25 Little Princess. 8.50 Play! 8.55 Olivia. 9.15 The Mr Men Show. 9.30 George Shrinks. 10.00 K9. 10.35 Ice Road Truckers. 11.30 The Gadget Show's Christmas Stocking. 12.30 FILM: Mrs Miracle (2009). Family drama, with Doris Roberts. 2.30 FILM: Meet the Santas (2005). Comedy sequel, with Steve Gutterberg. 4.20 Five News. 4.25 FILM: The Remains of the Day (1993). Period drama, with Anthony Hopkins. 6.55 FILM: Stranger than Fiction (2006). Premiere. The humdrum life of a tax inspector is turned upside down when he hears a female voice narrating his every move. Comedy drama, with Will Ferrell. 9.00 Greatest Christmas Adverts. 12.05 SuperCasino. 4.05 Poker.



Strictly Come Dancing Christmas Special
BBC1, Christmas Day, 7pm



Benidorm
ITV, Boxing Day, 9pm



Edward Scissorhands
Channel Four, Christmas Day, 7pm



Remains of the Day
five, Christmas Day, 4.25pm

BOXING DAY

BBC1	BBC2	ITV	CHANNEL 4	five
6.00 Breakfast. 9.00 CBeebies: CBeebies Christmas Panto 2010: Aladdin. 9.30 Grandpa in My Pocket — A Christmas Special. 9.45 FILM: Who Framed Roger Rabbit (1988). Comedy mixing live action and animation, starring Bob Hoskins. 11.20 BBC News. 11.25 FILM: Spy Kids (2001). Family adventure, starring Antonio Banderas. 12.50 FILM: The Ant Bully (2006). Animated adventure, with the voice of Julia Roberts. 2.10 FILM: Over the Hedge (2006). Animated comedy, with the voice of Bruce Willis. 3.25 FILM: Enchanted (2007). Premiere. Fantasy comedy, starring Amy Adams. 5.05 BBC News. 5.15 Songs of Praise. 6.00 Nigel Slater's Christmas Suppers. 6.30 Countryfile. 7.30 Antiques Roadshow. 8.30 EastEnders. Stacey's family tries to defend her against a serious accusation. 9.00 Upstairs Downstairs. 10.00 BBC News. 10.15 Match of the Day. Gary Lineker presents highlights of the Boxing Day Premier League fixtures. 11.45 The Football League Show. With Manish Bhasin.	6.00 CBeebies: Charlie and Lola. 6.10 Postman Pat's Magic Christmas. 6.35 Penelope. 6.45 Giggglebiz — A Christmas Special. 7.00 CBBC: League of Super Evil. 7.15 Deadly 60. 7.45 Bear Behaving Badly. 8.05 Eliot Kid. 8.20 Shaun the Sheep. 8.25 My Almost Famous Family. 8.55 FILM: Kiss Me Kate (1953). Musical comedy, starring Howard Keel and Kathryn Grayson. 10.40 Wild China. 11.40 Who Do You Think You Are? (2009). Musical, starring Frank Sinatra and Gene Kelly. 12.40 FILM: We Dive at Dawn (1943). Second World War adventure. 2.55 Final Score. 4.30 FILM: The Red Baron (2008). Premiere. First World War biopic, starring Matthias Schweighöfer. 7.00 Oz and Mickey Raise the Bar. The duo visit Scotland, Northern Ireland and the Republic. 8.00 Top Gear. The presenters take a seasonal road trip across the Middle East. 9.15 When Harvey Met Bob. Feature-length drama telling the story of the relationship between Bob Geldof and promoter Harvey Goldsmith, as they brought about Live Aid. Starring Domhnall Gleeson and Ian Hart. 10.45 Live Aid. The challenges faced in putting on the concert. 12.15 The Goodies.	6.00 CITV: The Fluffy Club. 7.25 Toonattik. 9.25 You've Been Framed! Christmas. 10.10 FILM: Jack Frost (1998). Family fantasy drama. 12.05 ITV News and Weather. 12.15 FILM: The Railway Children (1970). Period family drama, with Jenny Agutter and Bernard Cribbins. 2.20 FILM: From Time to Time (2009). Premiere. Family fantasy adventure, starring Alex Etel. 4.10 FILM: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (2005). A penniless boy wins a once-in-a-lifetime tour of a magical sweet factory. Tim Burton's children's fantasy, based on Roald Dahl's novel, starring Johnny Depp and Freddie Highmore. 6.15 ITV News and Weather. 6.20 FILM: The Mummy: Tomb of the Dragon Emperor (2008). Premiere. Fantasy adventure sequel, starring Brendan Fraser, Maria Bello and Jet Li. 8.30 Harry Hill's Best of Christmas TV Burp. 9.00 Benidorm. 10.15 FILM: Love Actually (2003). Ten interlinked stories of people searching for and finding love. With Emma Thompson, Alan Rickman, Colin Firth, Bill Nighy and Liam Neeson. 1.05 Paul O'Grady's Christmas. 2.05 FILM: Idlewild (2006).	6.00 Sali Mali. 6.05 The Treacle People. 6.15 Planet Cook. 6.35 FILM: Rugrats Go Wild (2003). 7.55 The Morning Line. 8.50 T4: Holyoaks. 11.20 The Simpsons. 11.45 Beyonce: I Am — World Tour. 12.45 Jamie's Best Ever Christmas. 1.45 Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Kempton Park and Wetherby. 3.55 Deal or No Deal: Scrooge or Santa. 5.00 Channel 4 News. 5.10 FILM: Crocodile Dundee (1986). Comedy, starring Paul Hogan and Linda Kozlowski. 6.55 100 Greatest Toys with Jonathan Ross. A countdown of the nation's favourite games, gadgets and gizmos. 10.00 Alan Carr: Chatty Man. The comedian is joined by radio DJ Chris Evans, The Expensables star Mickey Rourke, comedienne Catherine Tate and boy band the Wanted for a festive edition of his chat show. 11.05 Steve Coogan as Alan Partridge and Other Less Successful Characters. The actor performs at the Blackpool Opera House in 2008, as part of a national tour showcasing a selection of his many comic creations. 11.50 8 Out of 10 Cats Christmas Special. With guests Jack Dee, Lorraine Kelly and Christopher Biggins. 12.40 King of the Hill.	6.00 Milkshake! 10.00 Shakes!: iCarly. 10.35 True Jackson, VP. 11.10 K9. 11.45 Animal Rescue Squad. 12.05 Zoo Days. 12.35 FILM: Behold a Pale Horse (1964). Adventure, starring Gregory Peck. 2.50 Five News. 3.00 FILM: High Society (1956). Musical romantic comedy, with Bing Crosby and Grace Kelly. 5.10 FILM: Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat (1999). Stage musical, starring Donny Osmond and Richard Attenborough. 6.40 Top of the Pops. 7.55 Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em. A Christmas edition of the sitcom from 1974. Starring Michael Crawford. 9.00 Whatever Happened to the Likely Lads? Bob and Thelma look forward to an entertaining holiday, but Terry quickly puts paid to their plans. A Christmas edition of the sitcom from 1974, with James Bolam and Rodney Bewes. 10.00 FILM: Out for a Kill (2003). Martial arts action adventure, starring Steven Seagal. 11.45 America's Toughest Prisons. Life inside Statesville Prison in Illinois. 12.45 SuperCasino. 4.05 Divine Designs. 4.35 Divine Designs. 4.55 The Family Recipe. 5.00 Hana's Helpline.



MONDAY



BBC1

- 6.00 **Breakfast.**
 7.30 **Match of the Day.**
 9.00 **CBBC: The Sarah Jane Adventures.**
 9.25 **The Slammer.** Richard Hammond's Blast Lab: The Experiments.
 10.00 **FILM: Spy Kids 2: Island of Lost Dreams (2002).** Family adventure sequel.
 11.40 **EastEnders.**
 1.40 **BBC News.**
 1.45 **Regional News.**
 1.55 **EastEnders.**
 3.25 **FILM: The Incredibles (2004).** Pixar's animated adventure, with the voice of Craig T Nelson.
 5.10 **BBC News.**
 5.40 **The Impressions Show with Cuthshaw and Stephenson.**
 6.10 **Halcyon River Diaries.**
 6.30 **Look East; Weather.**
 7.10 **Casualty.** The precarious state of Ruth's marriage threatens to ruin her Christmas, while Mads and Noel throw a party in the ED, and Kirsty struggles to put aside her feelings for Adam.
 8.00 **EastEnders.** Kat is shocked by Jean's downward spiral as she struggles to cope without Stacey. Carol comes to Connor's rescue and Pat turns her back on Janine for good.
 8.30 **Celebrity Mastermind.** New series.
 9.00 **Upstairs Downstairs.** The house celebrates when Lady Agnes discovers she is pregnant. Concludes tomorrow.
 10.00 **BBC News.**
 10.20 **Regional News.**
 10.25 **A Question of Sport.**
 10.55 **The Graham Norton Show.** With David Walliams, Matt Lucas and Matt Smith.
 11.40 **FILM: Wild Hogs (2007).**

BBC2

- 6.00 **CBeebies: Bob the Builder: Project Build It.** 6.10 Pingu. 6.35 Zingillas. 7.00 **CBBC: League of Super Evil.** 7.15 **Deadly 60.** 7.40 **Bear Behaving Badly.** 8.05 **Eliot Kid.** 8.20 **Shaun the Sheep.** 8.30 **Animal Park.**
 9.15 **Great British Railway Journeys.**
 9.45 **Indian Hill Railways.**
 10.45 **Wild China.**
 11.45 **Who Do You Think You Are?**
 12.45 **Live Horse Racing.** The 2.10 Coral Welsh National Handicap Chase (3m 5f 110yds).
 3.00 **Coast.**
 3.10 **Flog It!**
 3.40 **FILM: Hidalgo (2003).** Epic adventure, starring Viggo Mortensen.
 5.45 **James May's Top Toys.**
 6.45 **Top Gear.**
 8.00 **Three Men Go to Scotland.** Rory McGrath, Dara O Brain and Griff Rhys Jones head to the Highlands and Islands.
 9.00 **Oz and Hugh Raise the Bar.** Oz Clarke and Hugh Dennis head to the North of England.
 10.00 **Charlie Brooker's 2010 Wipe.** The writer applies his acerbic wit to the past 12 months in news and TV, from the Chilean miners to the General Election, Sherlock to The Only Way Is Essex.
 11.00 **Never Mind the Buzzcocks.** Singer Josh Groban hosts the singer quiz.
 11.30 **The Goodies.** The trio lose all their light in the fog.
 12.00 **Grumpy Guide to Christmas.**
 1.00 **Medium.**
 1.40 **Medium.**
 2.20 **BBC News.**

ITV

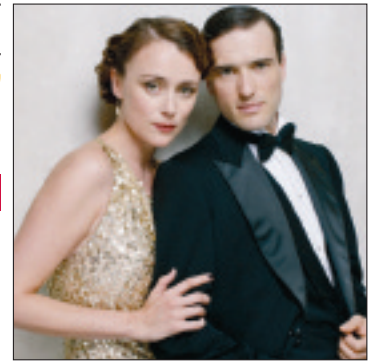
- 6.00 **CITV: The Fluffy Club.**
 7.00 **Daybreak.**
 8.30 **Lorraine.**
 9.25 **Coronation Street.**
 12.15 **You've Been Framed!**
 12.45 **ITV News and Weather.**
 12.50 **Anglia News and Weather.**
 12.55 **Midsomer Murders.**
 3.00 **FILM: March of the Penguins (2005).** Luc Jacquet's Oscar-winning nature documentary follows a colony of emperor penguins on a treacherous journey to the Antarctic.
 4.35 **FILM: Happy Feet (2006).** A young penguin with the unusual ability to tap dance is rejected by his fellow seabirds. Animated adventure, with the voices of Elijah Wood, Robin Williams and Nicole Kidman.
 6.30 **Anglia Tonight.**
 6.45 **ITV News and Weather.**
 7.00 **Emmerdale.** Katie grows tired of Andy's obsessive behaviour.
 7.30 **Coronation Street.** Tracy struggles to win Amy's affection, and has to alert Steve when the girl goes missing. Sworn enemies work together and one mother returns from the hospital in despair.
 8.00 **You've Been Framed!** Comedian Harry Hill narrates a selection of camcorder calamities and viewers' mobile phone footage.
 8.30 **Coronation Street.** Tracy revels in the friction she creates between Steve and Becky as the tussle over Amy continues.
 9.00 **Agatha Christie's Marple.**
 11.00 **ITV News and Weather.**
 11.15 **Benidorm.** One-off festive edition. Su Pollard, Louie Spence and Brian Murphy guest star.
 12.30 **Premiership Rugby Union.**

CHANNEL 4

- 6.10 **World Sport.** 6.35 **Sailing.**
 7.00 **Everybody Loves Raymond.** 7.25 **Frasier.** 7.50 **According to Jim.**
 8.20 **T4: Friends.** 8.50 **Ugly Betty.** 9.45 **Friends.**
 10.15 **The Simpsons.**
 10.45 **Ugly Betty.**
 11.40 **The Simpsons.**
 12.15 **FILM: Benji the Hunted (1987).** Disney adventure, with Red Steagall.
 1.55 **FILM: Ladyhawke (1985).** Medieval fantasy adventure, starring Rutger Hauer and Michelle Pfeiffer.
 4.10 **Deal or No Deal: Scrooge or Santa.**
 5.00 **Celebrity Come Dine with Me.**
 6.00 **The Simpsons.**
 6.30 **Hollyoaks.**
 7.00 **Channel 4 News.**
 7.10 **FILM: Porridge (1979).** Cellmates Fletcher and Godber are forced into aiding an escape attempt and then have to break back in. Comedy spin-off from the TV series, with Ronnie Barker.
 9.00 **Lee Evans: Access All Arenas.**
 10.00 **Lee Evans: Up Close.** Phill Jupitus interviews Lee Evans.
 10.35 **FILM: There's Something About Mary (1998).** Comedy, starring Cameron Diaz and Ben Stiller.
 12.50 **Premier League Poker.**
 1.45 **The Real Housewives of New Jersey.**
 2.30 **King of the Hill.**
 2.55 **King of the Hill.**
 3.15 **FILM: Fathom (1967).** Spy comedy, starring Raquel Welch.
 4.55 **ER.**
 5.40 **One Tree Hill.**

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- 6.00 **Milkshake!**
 10.00 **K9.**
 10.35 **Panda Week with Nigel Marven.**
 11.05 **Zoo Days.**
 11.35 **Ice Road Truckers.**
 12.35 **Five News.**
 12.40 **Top of the Pops.**
 2.00 **Whatever Happened to the Likely Lads?**
 3.00 **Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em.** Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers.
 4.00 **FILM: Rooster Cogburn (1975).** Western sequel, starring John Wayne, Katharine Hepburn and Anthony Zerbe.
 7.05 **Cowboy Builders.** Melinda Messenger and Dominic Littlewood visit a Sheffield family left with an empty home and thousands of pounds of debt.
 8.00 **There's a Hippo in My House.** Documentary telling the story of how a couple living near South Africa's Kruger National Park developed an unprecedented bond with a baby hippopotamus they raised into adulthood.
 9.00 **Greatest Christmas TV Moments.** Countdown of 50 Christmas TV crackers, featuring Gavin & Stacey, Morecambe and Wise, Only Fools and Horses, Wallace and Gromit, Doctor Who, Top of the Pops and The Royle Family.
 12.05 **John Cleese's Comedy Heroes.**
 1.05 **SuperCasino.**
 3.55 **Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers.**
 4.45 **House Doctor.**
 5.10 **Michaela's Wild Challenge.**
 5.35 **Great Scientists.**



Upstairs, Downstairs
BBC1, Monday, 9pm



Agatha Christie's Marple
ITV, Monday, 9pm



Lee Evans: Access All Areas
Channel Four, Monday, 9pm



TUESDAY



BBC1

- 6.00 **Breakfast.**
 9.00 **CBBC: The Sarah Jane Adventures.**
 9.25 **The Slammer.** Deadly 60 Bite Size.
 10.10 **FILM: Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over (2003).** Adventure sequel, starring Antonio Banderas.
 11.25 **FILM: Return to Never Land (2002).** Disney animated sequel to Peter Pan.
 12.30 **Just William.**
 1.00 **BBC News.**
 1.05 **Regional News.**
 1.15 **Wallace & Gromit: A Grand Day Out.**
 1.40 **Doctor Who.**
 2.40 **Robbie the Reindeer in Close Encounters of the Herd Kind.**
 3.10 **FILM: Chicken Run (2000).** Animated comedy.
 4.30 **Final Score.**
 5.25 **Countryfile Winter Special.**
 6.20 **BBC News.**
 6.50 **Look East.**
 7.00 **Celebrity Mastermind.** With Giles Coran, Dean Macey, Ptolemy McKenna and Samira Ahmed.
 7.30 **EastEnders.** Jean makes a painful decision about Stacey.
 8.00 **Holby City.** Christmas Day holds no cheer for Connie as her father is rushed in for surgery, and Faye is forced to make a tough decision.
 9.00 **Upstairs Downstairs.** Lady Persie pursues her political interests with little regard to her family, while Sir Hallam gets dragged into the abdication crisis facing the monarchy. Last in the series.
 10.00 **BBC News.**
 10.15 **Regional News.**
 10.25 **Live at the Apollo.**
 11.10 **FILM: Blades of Glory (2007)** Comedy, starring Will Ferrell.

BBC2

- 6.00 **CBeebies: The Pingu Show.** 6.10 **Timmy Time.** 6.20 **Louie.** 6.30 **Charlie and Lola.**
 6.40 **Postman Pat.**
 7.00 **CBBC: League of Super Evil.** 7.15 **Deadly 60.** 7.40 **Bear Behaving Badly.** 8.05 **Eliot Kid.**
 8.15 **Shaun the Sheep.** 8.25 **Shaun the Sheep.**
 8.35 **Great British Railway Journeys.**
 9.05 **Indian Hill Railways.**
 10.05 **Wild China.**
 11.05 **Who Do You Think You Are?**
 12.05 **Victorian Farm Christmas.**
 1.05 **FILM: The Fall of the Roman Empire (1964).** Historical drama, starring Alec Guinness.
 4.00 **Escape to the Country.**
 5.00 **The Indian Doctor.**
 5.45 **Weakest Link.** Nine people with unenviable jobs take part in the general knowledge quiz.
 6.30 **FILM: Miss Potter (2006).** Biographical period drama, starring Renee Zellweger.
 8.00 **Funny Turns: Penelope Keith.** A tribute to the actress.
 8.30 **The Good Life.** Margo and Jerry spend Christmas with the Goods.
 9.00 **All About The Good Life.**
 10.00 **Giles & Sue Live The Good Life.** The duo set out to have a frugal Christmas.
 11.00 **2010 Unwrapped with Miranda Hart.** The comedienne hosts a satirical look at the past year.
 12.00 **The Goodies.**
 12.30 **Medium.**
 1.10 **Medium.**
 1.55 **BBC News.**

ITV

- 6.00 **CITV: The Fluffy Club.**
 7.00 **Daybreak.**
 8.30 **Lorraine.**
 9.25 **The Unforgettable Terry Scott.**
 9.55 **Joanna Lumley's Nile.**
 10.55 **FILM: Agatha Christie's Thirteen at Dinner (1985).** Murder mystery, starring Peter Ustinov.
 12.55 **ITV News and Weather.**
 1.00 **Anglia News and Weather.**
 1.05 **Midsomer Murders.**
 2.40 **FILM: ET: The Extra-Terrestrial (1982).** Sci-fi fantasy, with Henry Thomas.
 4.50 **FILM: Robots (2005).** Animated adventure, with the voices of Ewan McGregor and Halle Berry.
 6.30 **Anglia Tonight; Weather.**
 6.45 **ITV News and Weather.**
 7.00 **Emmerdale.** Katie and Gennie are shocked to find their home has been burgled, and Amy is suspicious of Eric after finding a letter from 'Elizabeth', questioning whether she is his mistress.
 7.30 **River Monsters.** Last in the series.
 8.00 **Smile: That Was Candid Camera.** Vernon Kay narrates a 50th anniversary celebration of the hidden-camera TV show.
 9.00 **FILM: I Am Legend (2007).** Premiere. A Manhattan-based scientist becomes the last survivor of a viral plague that turns humans into vampire-like creatures. Sci-fi thriller, with Will Smith and Alice Braga.
 10.50 **ITV News and Weather.**
 11.05 **FILM: The Break-Up (2006).** Comedy drama, starring Jennifer Aniston and Vince Vaughn.
 1.00 **FILM: A Shock to the System (1990)** Black comedy.

CHANNEL 4

- 6.25 **Sali Mail.** 6.30 **Planet Cook.** 6.50 **Yo Gabba Gabba.**
 7.15 **Everybody Loves Raymond.** 7.40 **Frasier.** 8.00 **According to Jim.**
 8.30 **T4: Friends.** 9.00 **Music Favourites: Paloma Faith.** 9.30 **Shooting Nicole Scherzinger.**
 10.00 **Friends.**
 10.30 **The Simpsons.**
 11.00 **Glee.**
 12.00 **FILM: Explorers (1985).** Sci-fi adventure, starring Ethan Hawke.
 2.05 **FILM: Crocodile Dundee II (1988).** Comedy adventure sequel, starring Paul Hogan.
 4.10 **Deal or No Deal: Scrooge or Santa.**
 5.00 **Celebrity Come Dine with Me.**
 6.00 **The Simpsons.**
 6.30 **Hollyoaks.**
 7.00 **Channel 4 News.**
 7.10 **4thought.tv.**
 7.15 **One Born at Christmas.**
 9.00 **The Miracle Baby of Haiti.** The story of a baby rescued from the rubble of the Haitian earthquake.
 10.00 **Frankie Boyle's Tramadol Nights.**
 10.35 **The Morgana Show.**
 11.05 **Peep Show.**
 11.40 **The Big Bang Theory.**
 12.10 **Music on 4: The Crush.**
 1.15 **Beach Volleyball.**
 2.05 **KOTV Boxing Weekly.**
 2.35 **World Sport.**
 3.00 **FILM: The Cat Returns (2002).** Japanese animated adventure, with the voice of Chizuru Iwakaki.
 4.20 **ER.**
 5.05 **Deadliest Catch.**
 5.55 **Planet Cook.**

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- 6.00 **Milkshake!:** Thomas & Friends. 6.10 **Roary the Racing Car.** 6.20 **The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky.** 6.35 **Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures.** 6.40 **Rupert Bear.** 6.50 **Peppa Pig.** 6.55 **Mio Mao.** 7.00 **The WotWots.** 7.15 **The Mr Men Show.** 7.30 **Thomas & Friends.** 7.45 **Noddy in Toyland.** 8.00 **Fifi and the Flowertots.** 8.15 **Peppa Pig.** 8.25 **Peppa Pig.** 8.30 **Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures.** 8.35 **Roary the Racing Car.** 8.45 **Hana's Helpline.** 8.55 **Igum Ogum.** 9.05 **Castle Farm.** 9.10 **Little Princess.** 9.30 **Olivia.** 9.45 **The Mr Men Show.**
 10.00 **K9.**
 10.35 **Panda Week with Nigel Marven.**
 11.05 **Ice Road Truckers.**
 12.05 **Five News.**
 12.15 **How to Hook Up Your Home Theatre.**
 12.20 **FILM: The Winslow Boy (1999).**
 2.20 **FILM: David Copperfield (2000).**
 6.05 **Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers.**
 7.00 **Cowboy Builders; Five News Update.**
 8.00 **Greatest Christmas Adverts.**
 11.00 **FILM: Red Corner (1997).**
 1.20 **SuperCasino.**
 3.55 **Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers.**
 4.45 **House Doctor.**
 5.10 **Nick's Quest.**
 5.35 **Great Scientists.**



Ugly Betty
Channel Four, Monday, 8.50am and 10.45am



Panda Week with Nigel Marven
five, Tuesday, 10.35am



Floral decorations add splash of festive colour

FLORIST to the stars, Judith Blacklock, has produced a step-by-step guide on how to create some last-minute festive decorations with minimum fuss and maximum impact.

She has created arrangements for everyone from the likes of Kirstie Allsopp to the Prime Minister and the Royal Family, so the acclaimed florist knows more than most about how to gain the most impact for a room from foliage and flowers.

Judith has recently completed a number of Christmas courses at her famous flower school in London, featuring everything from traditional festive wreath-making to more contemporary designs. Here are three easy-to-create seasonal arrangements:

AWESOME ANEMONES

"This pretty design is a wonderful way to use up any broken flower stems together with a fresh bunch of flowers," says Judith.

"Spray garden foliage gold, silver or platinum for some cheap and chic festive glamour."

You will need:

- A circular glass container and separate circular glass vase.
- Six tea lights in holders.
- Six red anemones.

- Tree ivy sprayed gold.
- 20 stems of anemones.
- Eight cones sprayed gold and threaded with wire.

Method

- Fill the circular container and the vase with water.
- Place the tea-light holders at regular intervals around the circular container. Insert the candles.

- Cut six anemone heads short, just below the ring of foliage nearest to the flower.

- Place the vase in the centre of the circular container. Add stems of tree ivy that you have dusted with gold spray, being sure to remove all the



leaves that would fall beneath the water level.

- Thread the anemones through the tree ivy into the water.
- Twist florists' wires around the lower bracts of the cones and twist again to form stalks. Arrange these at intervals between the flowers to conjure the festive spirit.

PHORMIUM FANCY

"Purple and cream variegated phormium grows like weed in my garden," says Judith.

"Its evergreen leaves are tough, easily manipulated and last well when submerged in, or even out of, water, so they are the floral designer's dream ingredient. I love their architectural lines, which look especially pleasing curled snail-like around this vase."

"The leaves are a clever way of supporting flowers heads, so this is a great design for using up broken stems. I have used florists' roses, but a late-flowering garden rose, or hellebore, would also look gorgeous."

You will need:

- Phormium leaves.
- One rose.
- Two stems of spray roses.
- A few stems of holly with berries from the garden.
- A shallow glass container.

Method

- Starting from the edge of the container, twist the leaves around in ever decreasing circles, until you reach the middle.

- Pour water into the vase, until it is two-thirds full.

- Cut the large rose head, leaving about 5cm of stem. Place this in the centre of the container, allowing the phormium to support it.

- Repeat step three with the spray roses and berries, distributing them evenly.

HEAVENLY HOLLY VASE

"Holly is one of my festive favourites. This winter there is a bumper crop in my garden thanks to the warm, rainy autumn when the berries were ripening, so hopefully there will be enough for the robins and me."

"To give this traditional Christmas staple a contemporary update, I have 'drowned' some sprigs in a vase of water. The water magnifies the holly's leaves and berries, so a little goes a long way. It is an embarrassingly simple and inexpensive design, yet it is always much admired and would look fabulous on a mantelpiece."

You will need:

- Several branches of berried holly. If the birds have eaten the berries, skimmia makes a luscious alternative. Other fruiting plants that are both eye-catching under water and will decompose slowly include cotoneaster and pyracantha, tree ivy laden with fertilised black berries, and branches of crab apples.

- Physalis (Chinese lantern) seed heads. This is an easy-to-grow biennial that is happy in deep shade.

- A tall, round glass cylinder vase
- A round dish – preferably with two sides with a hole in the centre,



SEASONAL COLOUR: give this Christmas favourite an update with Judith Blacklock's floral display.

like a moat, but this is not essential. You could simply place the glass container in the centre of a low glass bowl.

- Eight tea lights in holders

Method

- Ensure your containers are scrupulously clean. Use limescale remover to dissolve any grime and then glass cleaner to polish.

- Pour water into the tall vase until it is three-quarters full.

- Cut the stems of the holly and immerse. Push a couple right to the bottom of the vase, then keep

adding sprigs on top of each until the vase is full. Be careful not to add too many or the simplicity will be lost. The weight of the berries will stop them from rising to the surface.

- Place the tea lights and their holders at regular intervals around the circular dish.

- Fill the gaps between the tea lights with the physalis heads.

- Remember to change the water daily and your holly will last for weeks.

Lost letters 45

In each of these puzzles a famous or popular quotation fills the grid. The individual letters remain in their correct column, but have fallen out and are out of order.

Reinsert them in the correct order to find the answer. Any punctuation is given in its own square.

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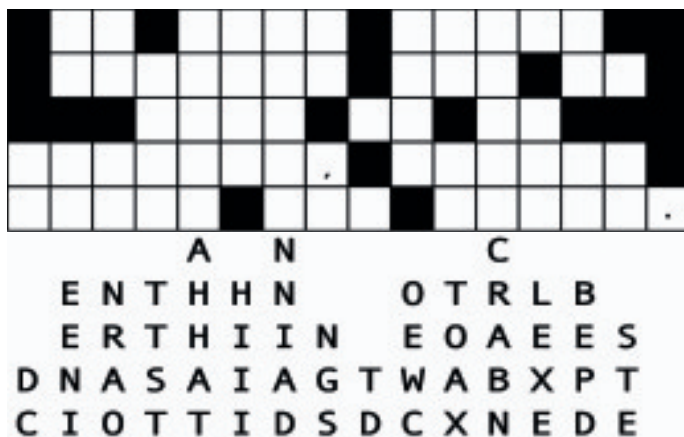
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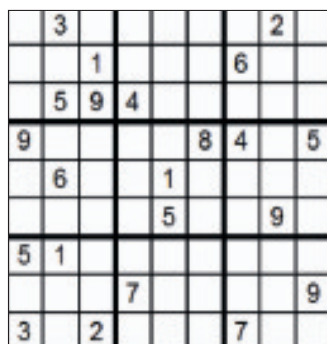
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Sudoku 132:

Place a number from 1 to 9 in each empty cell so that each 3x3 block, column, and full row includes each of the numbers from 1 to 9 only once.



- Last week's solution.

FOUR Ws

1. WHO...appeared on the front cover of the April 29, 1929 edition of the newsmagazine *Time*?
2. WHO...has released the record albums *Attempted Mustache* and *Social Studies*?
3. WHAT...is the title of the debut record album by Arctic Monkeys?
4. WHERE...in Finland is Rovaniemi

5. the administrative capital? WHEN...did Madagascar gain full independence from France?
6. WHO...has released the record albums *Attempted Mustache* and *Social Studies*?
7. WHAT...is the code word for the letter 'i' in the

8. NATO phonetic alphabet? WHERE...in South America are the cities of Coquimbo and Antofagasta?
9. WHEN...did the artist Gustave Dore die?
10. WHO...was the first husband of Marilyn

11. Monroe? WHAT...was the title of John Fletcher's sequel to Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew*?
12. WHERE...was jet pioneer Sir Frank Whittle born?
13. WHEN...did Frank Shorter win the Olympic men's marathon gold medal?

14. Answers: 1. Princess Elizabeth; Whatever People Say I Am, That's What I'm Not; Lapland, 1960. 2. Loudon Wainwright III; India; Chile, 1883. 3. James Dougherty; The Tamer Tamed; Earlsdon, Coventry, 1972.

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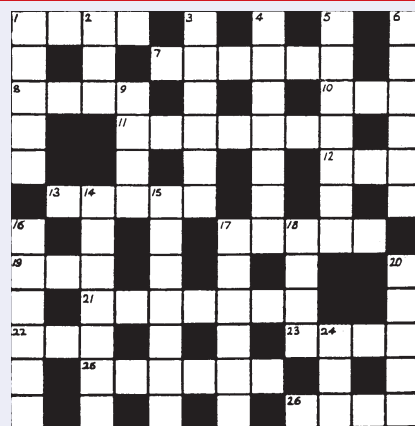
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Across

1. Service before time needs floater. (4)
7. Short holiday? Do come back for uneven stand. (6)
8. Recording rhythm dance at end of June. (4)
10. Action unfinished at river. (3)
11. Studies cathedral solidly. (7)
12. I would endeavour at first to get fish. (3)
13. Coins to confine to church. (5)
17. Bump into the boat. (5)
19. The fool may climb up tree with sustenance. (3)
21. Pie cooked to heal food-lover. (7)
22. A long time for European to be working. (3)
23. One's beaten by duke with alcohol. (4)
25. Scorch companion during Quest. (6)
26. A study of a port? (4)

Down

1. The part of machine that goes up and down? (5)
2. Dandy given Diplomatic parking. (3)
3. Canter around in a dream. (6)
4. Work with the man to bring up trouble for Shakespeare heroine. (7)
5. Boy mixes gin, going



6. round in circles. (7)
6. General, looking embarrassed, cast dirty look. (6)
9. Garden might need to be worked on. (4)
14. Cost of river flowing round enclosures. (7)
15. A splendid city! (7)
16. Agree on a son – being ecstatic. (6)
17. Bachelor takes the

- lightweight on the rebound. (6)
18. Wild creature climbs up to water plant. (4)
20. The devil shows specimen tape at noon. (5)
24. Stick with the fishing equipment. (3)



Solution 2196 – Across: 1. Pounce; 4. Strip; 8. Do no good; 10. Sue; 11. Earliest; 13. Scar; 15. Ness; 16. Reviewed; 19. Exe; 20. Relation; 22. Elite; 23. Beheld. **Down:** 1. Pause; 2. Under cover; 3. Converse; 5. Two; 6. Pirate; 7. Agar; 9. Dress sense; 12. Land-mine; 14. Cradle; 17. Weak; 18. Beard; 21. Eft.

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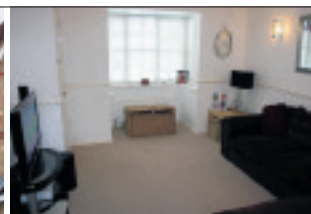
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Vauxhall's VXR8 vroom

VAUXHALL'S storming VXR8 model is back with a vengeance, packing heavily revised front and rear-end styling, a new cabin and a raft of new technology to enhance its appeal to drivers in search of one of the last great rear-drive V8 super-saloons.

Priced at £49,500 (including VAT at 20 per cent), the new VXR8 is now based on HSV's E3 GTS model, just launched in Australia, the previous VXR8 representing the old version of the lower-spec ClubSport R8. That means it still undercuts full-size super saloons like the Audi RS6, Jaguar XFR and Mercedes E63 AMG by between £13k and £29k, and even performance saloons from the class below, such as the BMW M3 and Mercedes C63 AMG.

A new, 'Shockwave'



The Vauxhall VXR8: Available to order now.

grille, LED daytime running lights and sleek new wing-vents mark the new car out from the front, while the rear features a new 'Super-flow' spoiler, LED tail lamps and twin exhaust tips that mimic the shape of the front grille.

As before, the new VXR8's race-bred chassis uses MacPherson struts/progressive rate coil springs at the front and a multi-link independent set-up at the rear. But for

the first time on a VXR8, Vauxhall has employed Magnetic Ride Control (MRC), a suspension system which adapts up to 1,000 times a seconds to road conditions and driver inputs.

Complementing the new VXR8's MRC is Launch Control (LC), which is engaged when drivers select the Electronic Stability Control's competition mode. The system dictates the level of

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All the driver has to do is floor the throttle and let the car do the rest. Extensive testing has proved that LC results in acceleration runs no more than 0.1 second apart.

Of course, no VXR8 would be complete without a large-capacity V8, and this latest version doesn't disappoint. The fourth generation 6.2-litre LS3 unit produces 426bhp and a massive 550Nm of torque, enough to propel the VXR8 from 0-60mph in 4.9 seconds and on to a governed top speed of 155mph. As before, drive is delivered to the rear axle via either a six-speed manual or auto transmission, working through a mechanical limited slip differential.

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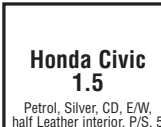
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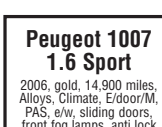
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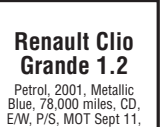
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ST EDMUNDSBURY BOROUGH COUNCIL
LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK
CORE STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT
ADOPTION STATEMENT – 14TH DECEMBER 2010

In accordance with Regulation 24(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2008 and Regulation 36 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004, St Edmundsbury Borough Council resolved to formally adopt its Core Strategy Development Plan Document on 14th December 2010.

The Core Strategy sets out a vision, objectives, spatial strategy and overarching policies to guide development in the borough up to 2031. This document forms part of the St Edmundsbury Local Development Framework.

An Independent Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government examined the Core Strategy, with hearings held in April and May 2010. The Inspector's Report, with its recommendations, was published on 24th August 2010. The adopted Core Strategy contains the Inspector's recommendations that are binding on the Council.

Copies of this Adoption Statement, the Core Strategy, the Habitats Regulations Assessment (Screening), the Sustainability Appraisal, the Sustainability Appraisal Adoption Statement and the Inspector's Report are available for public inspection on the Council's website at www.stedmundsbury.gov.uk and also at the following venues:

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Any person aggrieved by the Core Strategy Development Plan Document may make an application to the High Court under Section 113 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 on the grounds that:

- (a) the document is not within the appropriate powers, and/or;
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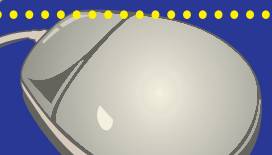
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The works, which would be carried out over 2 phases
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The effect of the Order would be to close –

1. for 5 nights from Monday 10 January 2011 (phase 1),
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 - 1.1 carriageway between its junctions with the exit
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 - 1.2 entry slip roads leading from the A1301, the
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 - 1.3 exit slip road leading to the Fulbourn/Balsham
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2. for 5 nights (weekdays only) from Wednesday 19
January 2011 or when phase 1 of the works have
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>>Golf:

Charity the winner at Vale's day

MEMORIES of the successful charity day at Haverhill Golf Club were rekindled when a cheque for £2,140 was presented to the Teenage Cancer Trust unit at Addenrooke's Hospital, Cambridge. The event was held in memory of Maggie Vale, the daughter of Haverhill member John Vale, who organised the event with the help of club professional, Paul Wilby. Seventy-two golfers took part and Vale said: "I would like to thank all who took part in the day and to the kind sponsors who made such a great contribution between them."

"It was a very proud day for me and my family, and we thank Haverhill Golf Club for enabling us to use their venue in order to host this fundraiser."

Wilby said: "It has been an honour to help John for this extremely worthy cause, and to be able to help the day become the success it was in such difficult times."

"I was giving John a lesson one day when he mentioned his plan and he was pleased that we at the club could help. "A big thank you must go to our voluntary committee who authorised the charity day to go ahead, and without their support, we could not have staged this event."

The winners of the Stableford team competition were: 1 S Milton, P Blye, L McDonald, A McDonald 88pts on count back, (back-nine score 45pts), 2 place were N Farley, G Wilson, C Powell, P Stevenson 88 (back-nine score 42pts), 3 M French, I French, W French, C French 82pts.

>>Tennis:

Title mission put on hold

THE Arctic blast has hit Haverhill's push for glory in the Halstead and District Winter League.

The leaders have only managed to play four games since the start of the season in September, beating Hedingham and Braintree, and drawing with Sudbury A and Forrester Park.

The mix of senior and junior players – Marcia Armstrong, Adam Fowle, Ian Terry, Ross Tobin, Nigel Fitch, Rachel Jeffs, Gill Argent, Abi Cartright-Thomas and club coach Robert Jeffs – has proved potent and has only been beaten by the snow and ice.

>>Darts results:

HAVERHILL CHARITY LEAGUE

Suffolk Punch 4 ESMC A 4, Rose Tavern A 7 White Hart 1, Black Horse 2 Rose Tavern B 6, ESMC B 3 ESMC C 5, 180s: B Ellis (Black Horse), D Grey (Suffolk Punch).
Positions: 1 Rose Tavern A played 8, 22 points; 2 ESMC A 7, 17; 3 Rose Tavern B 8, 14; 4 Suffolk Punch 7, 12; 5 Black Horse 8, 11; 6 ESMC C 8, 6; 7 White Hart 8, 3; 8 ESMC B 8, 3.
Captains Cup: Rose Tavern B, ESMC B, Rose Tavern A, Suffolk Punch.
Positions: 1 Rose Tavern A 8, 14; 2 ESMC A 7, 12; 3 Rose Tavern B 8, 12; 4 Suffolk Punch 7, 10; 5 Black Horse 8, 6; 6 ESMC B 8, 4; 7 ESMC C 8, 2; 8 White Hart 8, 2.

>>Football:



Peter Betts: "The quicker we get back to playing the better. Once we do that, we'll be fine."

PETER Betts believes his players will continue where they left off when Haverhill Rovers resume their league campaign following the winter freeze.

Rovers have not played a competitive match since their 3-0 win over Newmarket on December 11, but with the majority of clubs facing similar problems, Betts is confident the momentum gained in the last few weeks will not be lost.

They have risen to fourth in the Ridgeons League, Premier Division and had won their last five league matches.

"It's frustrating and the quicker we get back to playing the better," said Betts.

"Once we do that we'll be fine. We were in perfect shape (before the freeze), so it couldn't have come at a worse time for us."

"But as long as we react well to it there's no reason why we can't go on another good run."

"Confidence is still high in the squad. We've had a great year and it's a case now of getting back on the pitch and picking up the points as well as we have done over the last month or so."

"Other teams are in the same situation as us, so they'll have the same problems."

With outdoor pitches unusable because of the snow and sub-zero temperatures, Rovers have been forced to do their training indoors.

The players have also done fitness drills,

boxercise and five-a-side football in an attempt to maintain their sharpness.

"We're lucky that we've got good links with Samuel Ward Upper School, so we've been using their sports hall for training," continued Betts.

"They've got cardio-vascular machines as well, so the players have been doing a lot of work in the gym. We'll be working as hard as possible to stay fit and will be training over the Christmas period. Hopefully, we'll reap the benefit when we come back."

Rovers are due to entertain Hadleigh United at the New Croft on Monday but, with the cold weather expected to continue, the game could be in doubt.

Hawks battle on to ease Payne's agony

Cottenham Utd 1 Hundon Hawks 2
Cambridge and District Colts League, under-14E

HUNDON Hawks dedicated their ninth successive league win to leading scorer Jack Payne, who was carried off with a serious leg injury after just 10 minutes.

The injury compounded Hawks' problems as they turned up with only 10 players and manager Terry Loosley said: "It was a heroic effort from the boys and they did it for Jack."

"The news is not good – unfortunately he has broken two bones in his leg and we wish him a

speedy and full recovery. He has been an inspiration since he rejoined the club."

However, Hawks redoubled their efforts and took the points thanks to a first-half double from James Curran, the first coming from a Peter Mitchell corner and the second following a neat move involving Callum Brunning and Nathan Loosley.

Cottenham pulled a goal back before the break but were generally foiled by Hawks' solid defence, although when it was breached, keeper Will Pickering made a stunning save.

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